

Testimony before the Appropriations Committee
*H.B. No. 5044 AN ACT MAKING ADJUSTMENTS TO STATE EXPENDITURES FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2017.*

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John Lewis, Ansonia, CT

Good evening Senator Bye, Representative Walker and members of the Appropriations Committee.

My name is John Lewis and I am a registered voter in the town of Ansonia, CT.

I am here to testify on H.B. No. 5044 *An Act Making Adjustments to State Expenditures for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2017.*

I strongly oppose proposed cuts to the DMHAS budget and any mental health services and supports. I am currently paying too many co-pays and premiums on medical and medications that leave me very little money for the rest of the month. That kind of expense keeps me from going on activities with my social club which is an important part of my treatment to keep me well. Thank you for hearing my testimony.